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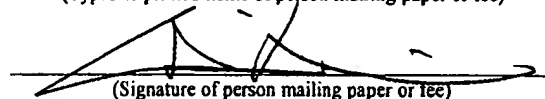
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of March 23, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 6 and include replacement sheets.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7.

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